



TO: Senate Regulatory Reform Committee

FM: Lee Schwartz, EVP for Government Relations
Michigan Association of Home Builders

RE: House Bill 5011

Because the Michigan Association of Home Builders Winter Board meeting in being held today in Mt. Pleasant I am not able to appear before the committee in person. I did want to be sure you knew the Michigan Association of Home Builders supports House Bill 5011 and urges you to do the same.

House Bill 5011 provides gives local units of government the ability to use private companies to perform the services listed in the bill for a local building department. This will increase the number of options available to building departments and provide them with another path for providing service to their constituents.

Private companies are not given either police powers or governmental immunity in this bill. Building officials have to be the direct employee of the local enforcing agency but can also be employed in a different position by the private company.

The MAHB believes House Bill 5011 will help local governments control costs and we ask you support this measure without amendments.